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Applicant: Mitsuaki MORITANI et al.  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
HANDLING DIGITAL CONTENT  
IN A NETWORK  
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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION**  
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.

Enclosed are:

☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (27 pages).

- ☒ Formal drawings (6 sheets, Figures 1-9).
- ☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages).
- ☒ Assignment of the invention to KABUSHIKI KAISHA TOSHIBA.
- ☒ Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- ☐ Small Entity statement.
- ☐ Request for application not to be published with certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 2 listed reference(s).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).
- ☒ Claim for Convention Priority and Priority Document No. 2003-202561.

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